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...RDS,

... R. Eldridge

...OSTETLER,

...-LAW.

...of the Decatur
... Nov15d&wtf

... Isaac R. Mills,

...ors-at-Law.

...nal Bank. Spe-
...bate and Chan-
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...lor at Law.
...Millikin's Bank.

...URGEON.
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...s Drug Store
...r West William

... LAW,

...hancery.
... Decatur, Ill.
...on farm lands.

...and John B. Bunn,

...selors-at-Law
... CHANCERY.
..., over J. Millikin

...at-Law,
...for Macon county,
...Water street, west
...ur, Ill.

... Blue Mound, Ill.,

...AT-LAW.
...all kinds of collec-
...al estate.

...IST,
...tices to the people of
...York guaranteed of
... Hellman's grocery
...catur, Illinois.

...-AT-LAW,
... Drug Store, Decatur
... April3'72dtf

...at Law,
...and Notary Public.
...ils, Contracts, and all
...ns carefully written
...taken and Abstracts
...ven to Probate bu-i-
... matters arising under
... Collections made in
...ates. Office over Bush-
...n street, Decatur, Ill.
... to 8 P. M. Also office
...eet, open from 8 to 10
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...-at-Law,
... of the Old Square, in
...pled by S. G. Malone.
...ng's Drug Store.

... L. Bunn, Edwin Park

...S-AT-LAW,
...street, up stairs, Deca-
... April'76-dtf

...TIST.
... Gas given at any time
... of teeth.
... Hammer & Co's Bank,
... Dec28wtf

..., M. D.,

...nd Surgeon,
...pposite 1st M. E. church.

...ES,
... DISTRIBUTOR.
...ND—
...S OPERA HOUSE.
...ality at the REPUBLICAN

... GRIMES, M. D.,

...PHYSICIAN.
...of Women a Specialty.
...h Water Street, opposite
... July1&wtf

...TIST
...Co's Shoe Store, East Main
...o. 49 North Main street,
... Jun18'73-d3m*

...TEL,

...RO., Proprietors,
... Square, Decatur, Illinois

... F. C. MYER.

... & SON,
... AND SIGN
...TERS!

...ALTIES:
...ning, Gilding, Fresco
...nd Tinting.
...e of the City Park, over
...tur, Illinois.

...OHNSON,
...eon and Horse Farrier,
... to the public to doctor
...eases. Thirty years practi-
...at W. C. Armstrong's drug
...ny prompt attention.
... No. 40 West Wood stree
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...LOWERS
...E ARRANGEMENTS WITH
...st Florists in St. Louis, I can
...hort notice, BOQUETS,
...KETS, &c., for weddings,
...ds. Orders can be left at the
... at the postoffice.
... I. J. HALSTED,
... Box 44, Decatur, Ill.

...are you in need of a good
...g? If so, you can save
...ng at Cheap Charley's.
...tf

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HEADQUARTERS FOR

HOLIDAY GOODS!

Consisting of a New Line of Neckwear, of the most Fancy Designs and Leading Styles, such as the

CLARENDON SCARF,

LEANDER SCARF,

DONIZETTI SCARF,

AND ALL THE LATEST NOVELTIES IN

SCARF PINS, SCARF RINGS, CUFF BUTTONS

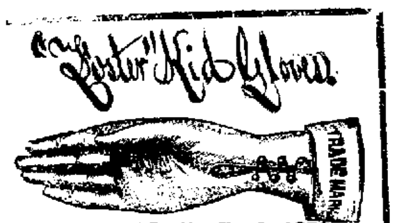
Fancy Shirts, Collars, Cuffs, Mufflers, Hosiery, Gloves, &c.,

AND AN ENDLESS VARIETY OF

SILK HANDKERCHIEFS,

WITH ALL THE

LATEST NOVELTIES IN STIFF HATS,



PATENTED JUNE 13, 1876.

These Goods have been sold during the past three years. All who have worn them pronounce the Mode of Fastening **ABSOLUTELY PERFECT.**

The many annoyances connected with the old system of Button Gloves are entirely overcome, and the following advantages secured:

1st—The perfect ease and rapidity with which it is laced.

2d—Its adjustability to fit the different sized wrists.

3d—The advantage gained by *gradually* straining the Kid, instead of the old system which ruins so many pairs the first time buttoned.

4th—Strength of Hooks and mode of clinching them. The fastening will outlast any glove, which is a very rare occurrence with buttons.

Independent of Improvement in fastening the quality is guaranteed equal, if not superior, to any other glove in the market.

FOR SALE BY

J. R. RACE & CO'

December 11, 1879—d&wtf.

Just the place to select a suitable

CHRISTMAS GIFT.

ALSO, WE HAVE THE

LARGEST ASSORTMENT

—OF—

OVERCOATS,

BUSINESS AND DRESS

SUITS,

IN THE CITY,

And are selling at old prices, notwithstanding the great advance. You will

SAVE 25 PER CENT.

By making your purchase of US NOW. Give us a call.

J. R. RACE & CO.

SPECIAL

—AND—

EXTRAORDINARY BARGAINS!

IN CLOAKS. We have added about ONE HUNDRED Cloaks to our previous assortment, and all being this season's manufacture and purchase, they are fresh, new and nobby. We offer them at a small advance ABOVE ORIGINAL COST. Don't fail to see and price them.

IN SHAWLS. We offer a handsome Single Shawl, a very heavy Beaver, single, and a beautiful Reversible Double Shawl at less than any house in the city.

HOSIERY. In view of our immense sales in this department last season, we have brought here a supply which, for variety of styles as well as quality and quantity, can not be approached by but a few dealers; AND OUR PRICES, as quoted in another part of this paper, are the wonder of our patrons and an agreeable surprise to strangers and new customers. In HOSIERY we certainly lead.

IN UNDERWEAR. In Ladies' and Men's Underwear we carry such an immense line that it would be impossible to particularize. We have in stock no less than 200 DOZENS, comprising the manufacturers' best products, from 49c. upward. These goods were purchased before the late advance in prices, and are marked as low as today's jobbing prices for same goods.

BLANKETS—10-4—Wool Blankets, at \$2 50
11-4— " Heavy White, ... 3 00
11-4— " Nearly all Wool, ... 3 50

SKIRTS--Cassimere, Flannel & Felt

In every style, and a very large assortment of the VERY BEST to select from. In this department none can surpass us or COMPETE with us in PRICES.

IN EMBROIDERIES, RUCHINGS AND RIBBONS,

We have our shelves, counters and cases as full as they can be piled, and Ladies will find our heading to this advertisement LITERALLY TRUE as to this class of goods.

IN LADIES' FURNISHING, FANCY & TOILET GOODS

Bretonne Lace Fichus, Lace Handkerchiefs from 5c. upward, Hem-stitched Handkerchiefs, Gents' Linen Handkerchiefs, Silk Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Bows, Necklaces, Laces, Gloves, Hat and Braid Pins, Baskets, Satchels, Toys, Knit and Crotchet Goods, &c., &c., and THOUSANDS of other Useful and Ornamental Articles in this line.

IN LADIES' CUFFS AND COLLARS

We have an excellent assortment, selling CHEAPER than they were ever offered by any Decatur house.

CORSETS is Our Specialty.

And they can only be appreciated for both quality and prices when seen.

SEEING IS BELIEVING.

CHEAP STORE,

SOL. MORITZ & CO.

MERCHANT STREET,

SIGN OF THE **BIG 18.**

December 11, 1879—d&wtf.

MIRANDA M. SARGENT, M. D.

Office and residence over Gehrmann's store, Street entrance between Gehrmann's and Stookey's, Merchant street, Decatur, Ill.
Sept. 22, 1879—dtf

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE firm of F. B. TAIT & Co. is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Persons owing on the firm account will please settle with F. B. Tait.
F. B. TAIT.
Dec. 1, 1879 —d3w

The Good Deacon and the Bad Beer.

The allurements offered by Chicago must have been powerful, indeed, to steel the hearts of the republican national committeemen against the honeyed persuasions of the truly good Deacon Richard Smith. If the pork-packing Paris of America lost its cause it was not lack of a zealous advocate. Possibly some of the numerous Young Men's Christian associations which Deacon Richard Smith is in the habit of addressing on spiritual topics may be puzzled at first to reconcile his well established reputation for true goodness with his assurance to the committeemen that the price of lager beer would not be raised during the sitting of the convention. But the matter is simple. In the first place the truly good deacon gave this assurance in the heat of the argument. In the second place, he was provoked to it by the Chicago men, who had pledged themselves that their beer—notoriously inferior to the Cincinnati article—should be sold to thirsting delegates at normal rates. In the third place it is altogether probable the truly good man has been persuaded by his wicked partners that lager is a strictly temperance drink, wholly devoid of intoxicating properties.

The Romance of a Duck.

A very pretty and romantic little story comes from Clinton, Texas. A gentleman of that town was out hunting, and while wandering along the bayou which drains that portion of Texas had the good fortune to shoot a duck. About the neck of the bird was a leather locket. He opened the locket and discovered a very neatly written note. The writer stated that last spring, while walking along the shores of Senouth lake, Washington Territory, she saw a duck in distress. On wading into the water to learn the cause, she discovered that a mud turtle held the duck by its foot. She rescued the duck, and then conceived the romantic notion of writing a note, fastening it about the duck's neck and setting it free. She further stated that she was sweet sixteen; that the young men of her acquaintance did not suit her fancy, and that she would wed the fortunate man who got her note. Now it happened that the man who captured the note had a wife, and consequently could not respond to the call of the sweet damsel in Washington Territory. It would have been much more romantic, of course, if the discoverer of the note had been unfettered by matrimonial ties and had hurried to meet the maiden whose message of love reached him in such a mysterious way, but the truth must be told, even at the risk of spoiling a romance.

BANCROFT, the historian, has returned to Washington city, and has resumed work on his history of America. The volume upon which he is now engaged, he says, will be his last. The old gentleman has given up his horseback rides, and, with the calmness of a philosopher talks of the time when he is to leave this earth. He is pursuing his work with the expectation of dying when it is completed. In alluding to his death, he indulges in no morbid cant or melancholy reaching out for sympathy. He speaks of his death in the most cheerful way, recognizing the inevitable fact with a composure that is as rare as the intelligence which animates the work of so old a man.

Rev. Geo. H. Thayer, of Bourbon, Ind., known to every one in that vicinity as a most influential citizen and Christian minister of the M. E. Church, says: "I wish everybody to know that I consider that both myself and wife owe our lives to SHILOH'S CONSUMPTION CURE." Drs. Matchett & France, physicians and druggists of the same place, say: "It is having a tremendous sale, and is giving perfect satisfaction such as nothing else has done. For Lame Back, Side or Chest, don't fail to use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. We recommend these remedies." Sold by Dr. A. J. Stoner.

Do You Believe It.

That in this town there are scores of persons passing our store every day whose lives are made miserable by Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Sour and distressed Stomach, Liver Complaint, Constipation, when for 75 cents we will sell them Shiloh's Vitalizer, guaranteed to cure them. Sold by Dr. A. J. Stoner.

SHILOH'S CATARRH REMEDY, A marvelous cure for Catarrh, Diptheria, Canker Mouth and Headache. With each bottle there is an ingenious nasal injector for the more successful treatment of the complaint, without extra charge.—Price 50 cents. Sold by Dr. A. J. Stoner.
Oct. 1-d&weot.

A FINE assortment of Ulsters and Overcoats at Cheap Charley's.
Dec 13—d&wtf

Cloaks from \$2.50 Up to \$20.00.

If you want a Stylish Cloak in excellent stuff be sure to call on
THEODORE A. GEHRMANN,
Nov. 18—d&wtf No. 10 Merchant st.

THE like has never been seen in Decatur before! Such is the exclamation of all the ladies upon seeing the immense display of fine Holiday goods at J. M. Stookey & Co.'s. 17-d&wtf

You can find a splendid assortment of Stationery, in fancy boxes, at J. M. Stookey & Co.'s—you can select from a large variety—at less than peddler's prices.
Dec. 18—d&wtf

ELEGANT Florence sets, at J. T. Hubbard's Drug Store, opposite post office.
Dec. 12-d2w

A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

—FROM—

B. STINE,

THE "BOSS CLOTHIER,"

TO ALL HIS FRIENDS, PATRONS, AND THE PUBLIC AT LARGE.

May You All Live Long and Prosper

WHEN YOU ARE IN WANT OF

CLOTHING!

For yourself, your brothers, your uncles, your cousins and your aunts, call at B. STINE'S, the "Boss Clothier," who will lead you to prosperity by exchanging your cash for suitable clothing, because he will save you money—*and money saved, is money made.*

OUR OVERCOATS, for Men,

OUR OVERCOATS, for Boys,

OUR OVERCOATS and ULSTERS

For Children, TAKE THE LEAD.

No Trouble to Sell Them--They Sell Themselves.

OUR SUITS

Suit everybody, and therefore suit you, and we are suited ourselves.

In short,

B. STINE, the Boss Clothier

Carries the Largest and Best Assorted Stock of

CLOTHING,

FURNISHING GOODS,

HATS, CAPS,

TRUNKS, &c.,

Sells more of them, a better quality, than any house in Decatur. If you don't think so, just call in and see for yourselves. ALWAYS ON HAND.

B. STINE,

The "Boss Clothier."

Dec. 21—d&wtf

The City Railway, Chicago, works 4,780 horses. Read what Supt. SQUIRES has to say:

We use exclusively Whittier's Liniment. It will pay all owners of horses to call or write.
M. W. SQUIRES, Supt. C. C. R. Co.

The Express Company work 370 horses. Read what Supt. KNIGHT has to say:

I have been using Liniment on the horses of the American and U. S. Express Co.'s stables for 24 years. I never met any that had one-tenth the merit of Whittier's Liniment. Our stables are open; call and see for yourselves.
H. KNIGHT, Supt. U. S. Ex. Co.

Read what Graves & Lomis, the largest breeders of horses in the State of Illinois, have to say:

For thirty years we have been using all kinds of liniment manufactured for horses, and, of all the liniments, Whittier's stands at the head of the list for Scratches, Greased Heel, Sprains, Galled Spots, and Sores of any kind. It will give all horsemen satisfaction.
GRAVES & LOMIS.

Scratches, Greased Heel, Thrush, Galled Spots from any cause, heal up in from two to three applications, and you can work the horse every day, and you can cure him at the same time. It will take out all inflammation in a few moments.

There is no remedy on earth that equals Whittier's Liniment for

RHEUMATISM.

It will have the same effect upon the human. Piles, Scrofula, Scald Head, Catarrh, Pimples or Blotches on Face or Body, Old Sores or Fresh Cuts.

PRICE 50 CENTS AND \$1.00 A BOTTLE.

DR. S. WHITTIER,

204 East Washington St., Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 15—d&weow 1yr

For Sale Cheap.

A house and lot on corner of N. Church and Green streets—7 rooms, well and cistern—6 blocks from P. O. For terms, apply to F. B. TAIT.
Dec2-dtf

D. B. Shotguns, genuine twist barrel, walnut stock, B. A. Swivel Locks, at \$13; also common double guns for \$7.50, at H. MUELLER & Co.'s.
aug 27-dtf

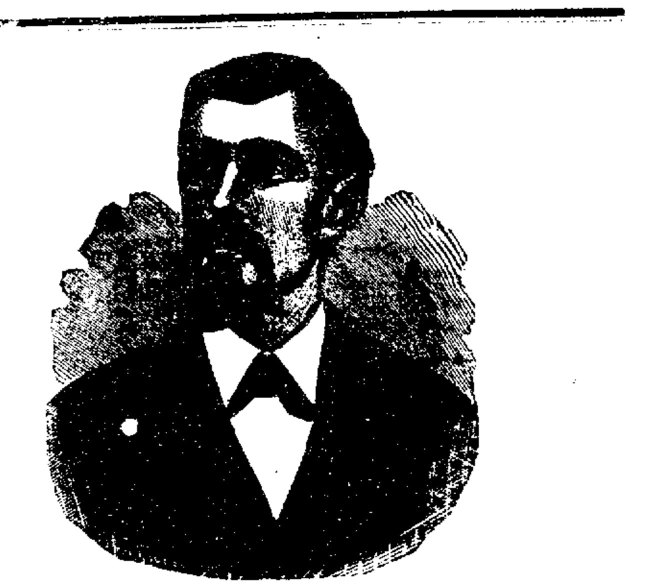
MONEY TO LOAN at 8 per cent. on farms. Notes payable at Decatur.
Oct. 31—d&wtf J. M. CLOKEY

"CATARRH, THE CAUSE AND CURE."

A Pamphlet by DR. CLINTON PRATT, of 283 State St., Chicago. Dr. Pratt is the Author of the Ozone Treatment for Catarrh, and in this new Treatise is revealed the secret of his success in the treatment of a disease, to which he has given the study of a life time. Pamphlet sent on receipt of a three cent stamp.

Dec. 12—d1mo

CHILDREN'S games and blocks, in almost endless variety, at J. M. Stookey & Co.'s. 17-d&wtf



'Cheap Charley'

Takes this occasion to tender to his many friends and customers HIS SINCERE WISH FOR A

Merry Christmas!

—AND A

Happy New Year

Not wealth, nor birth, nor rank, nor state,
But GET RIGHT UP AND GIT that makes men great.

KAUFMANN & BACHRACH

Manufacturers of,

MEN'S AND BOYS'

Clothing!

Dealers in

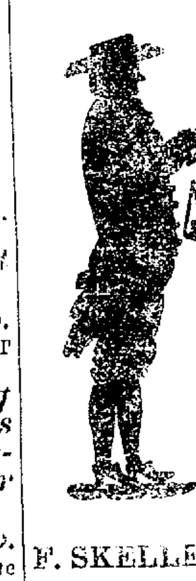
Goods for Men's Wear,

Cor. East Main & Water Sts.,

DECATUR.

Factory—Chicago, Illinois
Nov. 3 d&wtf

THE READY FAMILY SOAP MAKER



LEWIS' PERFUMED LYE

98 Per Cent Pure.

STRONGEST AND PUREST LYE MADE.

This LYE is a FINE POWDER.

And packed in cans with an ordinary lid, like our Baking Powder, so that any portion of contents of can may be used without spoiling balance. 12 pounds of Perfumed Hard Soap made in *twenty minutes* without boiling, and your wash will be sweet and clean. It is the best ... that nearly all produced when using ... from other Lye.

One teaspoonful will soften five gallons of hard water. LEWIS' LYE is 25 per cent. stronger ... so-called Rock or ... Potashes.

MANUFACTURED ONLY BY

GEO. T. LEWIS & MENZIES COMPANY,

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

FOR SALE BY

F. SKELLEY & CO., Dealers in Staple and Fancy Groceries

GOOD LUCK!

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING BOUGHT the stock of the late firm of Guttman & Haefer, of New York, on thirty days approval, and at IMMENSELY LOW PRICES, is going to sell a less than wholesale prices until Christmas, after which the remainder will be

Sold at Auction.

This stock consists of the finest lot of Solid Gold, plain, and Band Rings, Fine Cameo, Diamond Crested Rings, and other real Stone Seal Rings, Gents' fine gold and rolled plate Vest Chains, Charms and Lockets, and

GOLD & SILVER WATCHES

in great variety.

The firm of Guttman & Haefer having failed, (an account of which was given in the Chicago papers,) the goods will be sold regardless of cost. The public are invited to come and see and satisfy themselves as to the prices. ALL GOODS WARRANTED.

H. POST,

SOUTH SIDE OLD SQUARE, DECATUR, ILLS.

Dec. 16—d&w1w

CURE YOURSELF!

Dr. Bohannan's "Vegetable Curative" is warranted to permanently cure a "Spermatorrhea or Seminal Weakness, General Debility, Impotency, etc., and restores "Lost Power" and brings back the "Youthful Vigor" of those who have destroyed it by sexual excesses or evil practices, in from two to seven weeks' time. This remedy, which has been used by Dr. Bohannan in his private practice for over thirty years, was never known to fail in curing even the WORST CASES. It gives vitality and ... energy with wonderful effect to those middle aged men who feel a weakness beyond their years. Its invigorating properties are felt at once. Young men suffering from the consequences of that dreadfully destructive habit of Self-Abuse can use this medicine with the assurance of a speedy and PERMANENT cure. The patient gains strength and clearness of spirits at once, as it acts directly on the parts affected as a soothing and healing tonic and analyzer to the relaxed seminal vesicles and irritated ducts, imparting power and tone and restoring them to their natural state, the same as if the habit had never been indulged in. The ingredients are simple productions of nature—barks, roots, ... and are a specific for the above diseases.

... Five Dollars, sent with full directions, etc. ... Sold only as Dr. C. A. Bohannan's ... North Fifth street between Washington ... St. Louis, Mo. Established in 1857. ... Dr. B.'s "Treatise on Special Diseases," which gives ... the nature, symptoms, means of ... SYPHILIS, SEMINAL WEAKNESS, Etc., sent FREE to any address upon receipt of one stamp.

MARRIAGE SECRETS A Book of nearly 300 pages, numerous engravings, reveals secrets which the married and those contemplating marriage should know. How to cure diseases. Hundreds of Recipes. Sent securely sealed for 30 cents (money or postage stamps). Address Dr. C. A. BOHANNAN, 621 North Fifth street, St. Louis, Mo.

Jan. 18, 1879-d&wly

OYSTERS

—AT—

IMBODEN'S

Meat Market.

Nov. 22—d1mo

THE DEAF HEAR

THROUGH THE TEETH!

PERFECTLY, all Ordinary Conversation, Lectures, Concerts, etc., by NEW Channels, to the Nerves of Hearing, by a wonderful New Scientific Invention, THE DENTAPHONE. For remarkable public tests on the Deaf—also on the Deaf and Dumb—see New York Herald, Sept. 28, Christian Standard, Sept. 27, etc. It displaces all Ear-trumpets. Size of an ordinary Watch. Send for our FREE pamphlet. Address AMERICAN DENTAPHONE CO., 287 Vine St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Nov. 21-d4w

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FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 26, 1879.

A HAPPY TIME.

Complimentary Banquet by the Union Iron Works.

How an Enterprising Firm can Make Unequaled Corn Shellers, and yet Recognize Its Obligations to Its Employes.

Turkey and Toasts—Salads and Speeches.

The proprietors of the Union Iron Works, as was announced in these columns some days ago, gave a complimentary banquet at the St. Nicholas Hotel on Wednesday evening, to their employes and their families, and, as all who were present will testify, the affair was a most agreeable and happy one to everybody concerned. The motive which prompted the proprietors to thus entertain their numerous employes was a most worthy one, and reflects great credit upon those who conceived the idea and carried it out so successfully. The season of 1879 has been the most satisfactory, in a business point of view, that the Union Iron Works has enjoyed since the establishment has had an existence. The wonderful popularity which has been achieved by the Western Corn Sheller has brought to its manufacturers such an avalanche of orders as has kept every workman about the shops busy from morning till night (and frequently necessitated working over time) to supply the almost magical demand. As a recognition of the faithful and valuable services of the men in their employ during these busy times, the employers hit upon the happy thought of giving to them and their families a complimentary banquet, as a slight token of their esteem, and probably no better plan could have been devised.

The invitations to the banquet, after first taking in every workman and his family, were also made to include the attorneys of the firm, the bankers with whom its accounts are kept, the mayor and members of the city council, and representatives of the press, and, while nearly all who were invited responded in person, quite a number were kept away by the condition of the streets—which were a solid glare of ice—and the extreme severity of the cold.

When all had assembled in the parlors of the hotel, where each was warmly welcomed by the superintendent of the Works, Mr. C. C. Burroughs, the company was invited to repair to the dining-room, where a most sumptuous repast was in waiting. The tables were most tastefully arranged, and we do not remember to have even seen in Decatur a finer or more elaborate "spread." The proprietors of the hotel, Messrs. Laux & Bro., are certainly entitled to much credit for the completeness of all the arrangements and the rare skill with which everything was prepared. That the feast was a most elaborate one, will be seen from the following:

MENU.

OYSTERS.

Stewed. Raw. Fried.

FISH.

California Salmon.

SALADS.

Chicken. Ham.

COLD MEATS.

Venison. Corned Beef. Turkey. Beef Tongue.
Roast Beef. Chicken. Sugar Cured Ham.

RELISHES.

Celery. Horse Radish. Chow-Chow.
Worcestershire Sauce. Pickles. Cheese.

PASTRY.

Cranberry Tarts. Pound Cake. Jelly Tarts.
Fig Cake. Jelly Cake. Washington Cake.
Fruit Cake. Nut Cake. Jelly Roll.
Chocolate Cake.

DESSERT.

Vanilla Ice Cream. Apples. Raisins.
Mixed Candies. Almonds. Pecans.

TEA AND COFFEE.

After grace was said by Alderman McNabb, Mr. Burroughs made a few remarks, by way of opening the attack on the tempting array of good things, and said, as they had been asked to blow their steam whistle, at the time of President Hayes' visit to Decatur, "as long as they heard anybody else blow," so he hoped all would eat as long as they saw anybody else eating.

After the banquet had been discussed in all its bearings, Mr. Burroughs rose and said there would be some toasts and responses, the first being

"The City of Decatur—Its location and advantages." Response by Mayor Haworth, who said:

Decatur was organized under a city government in 1856. Its population was then less than 3,000, and poor in all material resources except enterprise and intelligence. Its business was limited, and conducted upon the principle of barter and trade. No manufacturing of any kind existed. Two important iron highways, just constructed, intersected each other within its limits and opened communication with the surrounding country and the business marts of the world.

Surrounded by vast prairies, unsurpassed in fertility of soil, then being rapidly developed, our city soon took on new growth. Business, wealth and population increased; manufacturing sprung up, giving employment to hundreds and food and clothing to thousands—until now we can boast, with honest pride, of our Union Iron Works, whose "Western" Corn Sheller and Cleaner has become celebrated for perfection throughout the west; of our Bagging Factory, which largely supplies the wants of the south; of our Furniture Factory, where busy hands and unceasing whir of machinery produce that which gives comfort and beauty to many a household throughout the west; of our Check Row Manufactories, where inventions have invaded the corn field and relieved the husbandman of half his toil; of our Hog Ring Factories, where the metals of the earth are made to protect the velvet-covered fields from the ruthless invasion of the swine; of our Flouring Mills, Woolen Mill, and other manufactories—all together making this one of the leading manufacturing cities of the west.

New iron highways have been built, giving us easy communication with all the great cities of the country, and bringing within easy reach every material and commodity used in our manufactories or handled by our merchants. Instead of a few small retail stores dealing in coffee, calico and corn, we can now point with pride to a number of large wholesale houses whose trade reaches to the Rocky Mountains.

To the manufacturer and business man, no place offers greater inducements, with abundance of water, cheap fuel, cheap living, and railroad facilities unsurpassed.

May we not expect in the future more rapid growth than in the past?

"Our Railroads—their advantages to city and country." Response by Alderman K. Harwood, who said:

My friends, I do not feel equal to the task of responding to this toast. It is a solid one, a heavy one—too heavy to tackle successfully after having encountered a table so loaded with good things, as we have to-night. It should have fallen to the lot of one who is a better talker; but our worthy host has requested me to respond, and as I am too far from the door to run, will have to face the music.

It is but about fifty years since the first railway track was laid in this country; now their iron bands stretch from ocean to ocean, and cover all our country with a net-work of steel. Neither our rugged, lofty mountains or broad, rapid rivers have checked their progress. They and their inseparable companion, the telegraph, have, commercially speaking, obliterated state lines, and almost our national boundaries. They unite with iron bands the east with the west, and will, let us hope, soon bind north and south with bonds as strong; and by interchange of thought and opinion, all sectional walls will be broken down, and the solid south and solid north will become as has the great American desert of thirty years ago—a thing of the past, vanished before the march of railway enterprise.

It is twenty-five years since the first whistle was sounded in this city, by an engine on the Northern Cross Railroad, now the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific. The Ill. Central was completed the same year—1854; since then the St. Louis branch, the P., D. & D., the Midland, the C., H. & W., and the I., D. & S. Decatur has done much for them; they have done much for Decatur. Indirectly they have brought us together to-night, because without them there would have been no Union Iron Works; without them there would be no use for the Western Corn Sheller. They brought you here; they bring what you wear, a portion of what you eat and drink; they bring you the raw material for your work—the iron and lumber—and they take away the produce of your labor and distribute them all over the great northwest.

They have annihilated distances. Thirty years ago it would take four months to get a wagon load of frieght from the seaboard, at a cost of not less than $10 per hundred pounds; now you get it in a week, at from 46 to 85 cents per hundred pounds. What but a few years ago was a journey of a year, full of hardships and danger, is now but a pleasure trip of four or five days. Less than fifty years ago six miles an hour was considered a dangerous rate of speed; ten years ago the express trains made twenty—now they make forty miles an hour, and often a mile a minute. They teach us the value of time, and to be prompt in all things. In law it is 9 o'clock until 10; on railways 9 o'clock means just 9 o'clock, and if a train man loses five minutes of his time he must give his reasons in writing, and as I have used my five minutes I'll be prompt to quit.

"Our Manufacturing Establishments—the basis and thrift of our city." Response by Hon. H. B. Durfee:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—When requested a day or two since by our genial host of the evening to respond to the sentiment just proposed, I promised to the best of my ability to got up something in appropriate form, and say my piece as well as he could reasonably expect. But the sober second thought reminded me that upon a former occasion, after having carefully prepared and committed to memory what struck me as being particularly fine in the line of responses, I utterly failed, in the delivery, to remember the *elegant* touches that were to give form and beauty to the labored effort. Partly for these reasons, but mainly for lack of time, I concluded to rely upon the inspiration of the hour, and trust to the good humor that so very naturally prevails after a thorough discussion of a subject made the *special order for this evening*—"a banquet of good things," elegantly and bountifully furnished, gracefully served, and *very ably* discussed, as has been the case on this occasion, cannot fail to put everybody in the best possible humor with himself and the rest of mankind. And by the two hundred pleased and cheerful faces that shine around these tables I am satisfied that everybody here will go away declaring that everything said and done on this very enjoyable evening has been said and done to perfection.

That I might be able to say something definitely of the manufactories that are at the foundation and thrift of our own city of Decatur, I devoted this afternoon to calling around among the busy hives of industry, and supposed that a half day would give me ample time; but the afternoon passed, and I found myself after dark hunting proprietors at their homes, and then did not get half round.

Notwithstanding all of these industries have grown up around my very door, I must acknowledge my surprise at the magnitude of our industries and the present rapid creation of wealth by the many hundred busy hands, assisted by all the appliances of labor-aiding machinery. I will read you the memorandum of facts gathered from conversation with the proprietors, so far as I was able to see them, will and estimate those I could not reach before time to meet around these tables.

[We omit the memoranda here, as it mainly deals in figures, and Mr. Durfee has agreed to complete his round among the factories at an early day and give us full statistics as to men employed and labor pay-roll.—EDS. REPUBLICAN.]

I have, perhaps, not yet said anything pertinent to the sentiment proposed, as I have thus far confined my remarks to our own factories and what they have done and are doing for Decatur. But what little I know has been learned not from books; I know little of books; my education is mainly such as is gained in actual contact with the rugged realities of this world, with only such advantages as are within the reach of every mechanic. But I think it safe to conclude that what manufactories will do for the building up and thrift of Decatur, they will do for any other city possessing equal facilities for procuring the raw materials and distributing their products.

Population is attracted by capital invested in manufactures. Capital is the magnet that attracts labor. Then why should labor make war on capital? I think I am safe in concluding from the air of integrity and intelligence pervading this assemblage, that the spirit of communism that would tear down and divide without equivalent what has been slowly accumulated and garnered, has no sympathy here. From this same spirit has originated strikes. Where would have been the present success of the Union Iron Works or the Western Corn Sheller had strikes among the workmen paralyzed the efforts of the proprietors? Had strikes prevailed in Decatur as they have in some cities, the buildings of the Union Iron Works would soon be used as a barn on the corner of some farm adjacent to the few houses clustered around the court house of the town of Decatur.

Let hidden capital be assured that it can build factories in Decatur and be left to deal with its employes as individual and not as arbitrary combinations, then the labor would be in demand to man the works, and competition would secure fair compensation to all. Then with a stable currency the manufactured goods will flow out and the raw material and good money will flow in.

"The Press of Decatur—always ready to give encouragement to our city's industries." Response by J. R. Mosser, who said.

It may seem strange to most people, Mr. Chairman, and yet it is absolutely true, that an editor would rather puff the virtues of other people (at a fair price per line) than to trumpet his own praises, without pay. I say it may seem strange, but when you come to take into consideration the proverbial modesty of the press and everybody connected therewith, from the inky imp of blackness who manipulates the roller down through all the grades until you reach the pencil-shover on his nail-keg—I say when you come to reflect upon the overpowering modesty of all the individuals referred to you will not wonder at the reluctance and diffidence with which I rise to acknowledge the compliment contained in the language of the toast.

"The Press of Decatur" the toast says, is always ready to give encouragement to our city's industries. Toasts you know, like newspapers, always speak the truth. They never deal in fancies or fictions. They never bestow praise where it is not deserved, and that's what makes me blush so. But if you have the least shadow of doubt as to the truth of the sentiment, let me add my testimony in its behalf (and that ought to settle it) and to assure you that the press of Decatur *is* always ready to add its mite to help along the boom of our material interests. Why, Mr. Chairman, if we could only have our way about it, we would have a check-rower in every cornfield in America, and would let them everyone stand out all winter so as to compel the people to buy new ones every year. We would have every hog in Christendom wearing three or four rings in his or her nose—one of each kind manufactured in Decatur. We would fix things so that everybody would have to buy their bedsteads and bureaus of the Decatur Furniture company. We would put a premium on all the cotton bales covered with the beautiful cloth made by the Decatur Bagging Company, and Billy Wayne and Kramer & McClelland should be public benefactors by making carriages for everybody. Half a dozen states should be lighted with kerosene from the Decatur Tank Line company, and Peter Loeb should make castings by the million for all the surrounding country. We would make it a penal offense for anybody within reach of Decatur to eat bread unless it was made from flour manufactured by Shellabarger & Co. or George Priest & Co., because we know that to be good, and are not so certain about any other. Every state convention in Illinois—political, religious or otherwise—should be held in our tabernacle, the praises and glories of which should be on the tongue of everybody—even more than now. Why, Mr. Chairman, the press of Decatur, if it could have its way, would clothe all creation in cassimeres and jeans made by Shockley & Bodman, and would ignore all colors in paint that were not mixed with oil manufactured by Hatfield & Taylor. All the worthless cornshellers palmed off upon a too-confiding public by unscrupulous manufactures in other places should give way for the introduction of that marvel of genius, the Western Corn Sheller, which is fast taking the place of all its rivals. And finally, Mr. Chairman, if your local press had its way, nobody in Decatur should die, but everybody who died in less-favored localities should be buried in caskets made by our incomparable Decatur mechanics.

If this is not sufficient to satisfy everybody that the press of Decatur is thoroughly identified with the interests of the city, I am at a loss to know what would satisfy you. I would tell you something about the best newspaper in this part of the United States, but am deterred by my characteristic modesty, and by the same reflection which once sealed the lips of Theodore Tilton—"the other hearts it would cause to bleed."

"The Bar—its relations to society." Response by K. H. Rohy, Esq., who spoke as follows:

Ever since the first organization of society into civil government the bar has taken an active part in securing purer laws and better methods. Its intimate relation with society in all its varied conditions has enabled the bar to appreciate the wants of the people and comprehend the means of relief. The legislative and judicial records of civil government are its history, the evidences of its mental growth and power. Its roll of honor contains the names of many great and good men whose labor ended long ago, but who now live in their works, preserved and consecrated to us, and which are to-day the chief tutors and mentors of the legal profession. We need not, however, look beyond the period of our own lives and the circle of our own acquaintance for men whose sacred devotion to the profession they loved, and the great principles which it taught, made them living examples of the highest and purest conception of the profession of law. The names of Emerson and Gallagher will long be cherished in this community. The members of the bar who have received the benefit of their advice and been strengthened by their example, will ever remember them with reverence and affection. Fired with the spirit of right and justice which they imbibed with their first lessons in the law, Lincoln, the Tuppers and Boyd, men whose faces were familiar with the old court house, in Decatur, consecrated their lives to their country and good government. We remember them with sorrow and gratitude. We love and worship them for the unselfish sacrifice they made for us. Let us hope that the bar will ever continue to wield its power on the side of right and labor to give society the full benefit of all that progressive ingenuity may invent and skilled hands make, to lighten the burden and increase the happiness of mankind.

"Our Fire Department—its promptness and efficiency." Response by Wm. Dodson, chief of the department, who said:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—One year ago this day, the thermometer showing some 25 degrees below zero, the alarm bells of your city clanged out fiercely on the clear air. Promptly, "as though in midsummer's pleasantest hour," your fire department responded to the call, occasioned by the burning of Judge Gallagher's residence. Water froze as quick as it touched any object. Ice covered the men from head to foot, exposed parts of their persons, quickly congealed, hose froze fast to the ground, ladders became but glittering masses of ice; but for hours your citizen firemen nobly fought the fiery fiend until subjugated. So thus it has ever been since our organization, no weather too cold, hot or stormy, no night too dark for us to respond. The four companies composing the organization are of energetic young and middle-aged men, interested in their work from feelings of pride, desire for excitement, public spirit, duty, or what you may please, the end aimed at is reached, and fires have little chance in Decatur, supplied as we are with water, men and apparatus. Since one year ago, the department has responded to twenty-six alarms; the property directly involved valued at $95,000, not taking into consideration contiguous buildings and contents, the losses being but $12,300, $6,000 being at one fire, and several other buildings being out of reach of water. We are proud of our record, and gratified at the appreciation shown by our fellow citizens, and especially on such occasions as this, being called upon to respond to a sentiment which touches so nearly a work in which I and a great many others have been so many years engaged.

Thanking our generous hosts for the honor conferred us, I can only say in the words of the motto of one of our companies, in the future as in the past when duty calls you will always find your fire department "always ready."

"Our Water Works—their utility and value" Responded to by S. Burgess, Superintendent, who spoke as follows

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—It will hardly be expected, I presume, that much sentiment will be expressed upon a subject so eminently practical and matter of fact in its nature as the one comprehended in the toast to which I am this evening invited to respond—a subject made up of philosophical and mechanical questions and mathematical and financial problems, and fraught with the happiness and well-being of every individual. Water, one of the great and grand elements in nature as we are aware, is as indispensable to our very existence as the air we breathe or the light of the sun that shines down upon us. A bountiful supply of good, pure water is one of the most inestimable blessings bestowed upon mankind, and is as essential to our advanced civilization as are our common schools, our churches or our railroads, and any individual who shall devise a better plan for making good, pure water more abundant, more convenient and less expensive, will, become really and truly a benefactor to his race. The Holly System of water works, adopted by this city several years ago, is perhaps the best system ever yet devised for the distribution of water for general use, and especially for the extinguishment of fires in connection with an efficient fire department, such as happily our city possesses to an eminent degree. The city of Decatur has, during the past year, through its able common council, made important and valuable improvements to its water works, and as I really believe, has succeeded in obtaining an inexhaustible supply of good, pure water from the banks of the "classic Sangamon," a consummation devoutly to be wished for, although the water was at first, and perhaps may be at present, slightly impregnated with a ticture of tannin extracted from the oak timbers which entered into the construction of the reservoir, and, by the way, I am informed by the, best medical authorities, that tannin as an astringent is highly beneficial and perfectly harmless. But, be that as it may, the drug is rapidly exhausting itself, and we without doubt are to have a bountiful supply of good, pure water from the Sangamon river. Already inquiries are being received from Jacksonville, Springfield, Danville and Lafayette, asking by what process we filtered our water, rendering it so clear, indicating that Decatur is fast becoming famous for the purity of its water, as it has already became famous for the almost exclusive use of it as a beverage. And in this connection it may not be improper to remark that in the early days of Decatur, I speak now from experience, water was regarded as an element valuable for navigable purposes, for the extinguishment of occasional fires and for the watering of horses, hogs, and cattle; but as an article to drink it was regarded as *rather thin*. But, in these latter days, quite a number of the inhabitants of Decatur have arrived at the conclusion that good water is really valuable and desirable as an element for quenching one's thirst and actually use it for that purpose.

"The city council—its relation to the prosperity of the city" Response by E. P. Vail, Esq.

An interesting episode in Mr. Vail's domestic affairs, which is noticed elsewhere in these columns, made it inconvenient, to say the least, for him to write out his remarks in response to the toast, as we had hoped he would do. He spoke of the fact that the almost unparalleled prosperity of Decatur was owing to the class of men selected for members of the city council—active business men who had the welfare of the city at heart. To this happy condition of affairs was to be at r[illegible] the rapid growth and substantial improvements which made all strangers speak of Decatur as "a live town." Mr. Vail paid a high compliment to the efficiency of the city council.

"Our churches and schools—the evidence and support of our progress."—Response by W. C. Outten, who said:

Churches and schools have ever been, and still are, intimately related, and properly classed among the institutions most calculated to elevate and ennoble the race. They are the acknowledged guides to virtue and to truth.

To the church are we indebted for those teachings with regard to the origin of existence and the promise of the future, which add to life a new charm and to being a new purpose. Its doctrines would make this life no longer merely a struggle for wealth that soon wastes, and honors that perish with a breath, but would impress us with the thought that it is but a link in a chain of eternal existence. It teaches the unity and brotherhood of man and is the chief inspirer of those feelings which promote the appointment of such pleasant assemblages as that we this evening enjoy. It holds up to us as a model for our lives a character so exalted, so pure, so full of goodness and truth and all those virtues which command the admiration of the nobler part of our nature, that all are moved to admit its excellence. Though the church may fall short of the standard for which it strives, an honest effort to attain such a character cannot fail to purify and sweeten existence. Then let us cherish and sustain the church as the ornament of life, the harbinger of peace, the support of virtue and the friend of man.

With schools in general, and our own schools in particular, all my hearers are familiar, and fully understand their influence and appreciate their advantage. They are a means of arousing and calling into useful action that wonderful, powerful, unknown and perhaps unknowable factor in human existence, the intellectual part of man. All along the ages, we doubt not, there have been men with powers of intellect fully equal to the best minds of to-day; but, from what we have heard this evening, we find the present generation has grasped as realities things undreamed of by our predecessors, and we find one of the reasons for this advance in the fact that the present generation, by means of the schools, has been taught to think, and to realize that "to think is not simply to be the theater across which thoughts and emotions flit, but to sit in the midst the master of one's conceptions." Again, by means of our schools is knowledge acquired that has been slowly through the centuries evolved by our ancestry, so that the grandest and loftiest reach of their most laborious thought forms but our starting point, from which we may proceed to still prouder and more magnificent achievements and discoveries. Truly may we say that our churches and our schools form the surest support to our progress. They also bear wondrous evidence of that progress.

As we look upon the numerous spires that meet the eye on every hand, as we glance over our city, tinged with the first light of approaching day, or from their light catching and reflecting back to us at evening the light from that orb already lost to earthly view, we are slow to think that within the memory of one no older than myself was the time when not one of these structures existed, and as we see the smoke pouring forth from the furnaces of our numerous ward school buildings and from our high school, we can scarcely believe that they have all been erected within the same brief period—yet it is true. In the spring of 1853 I first entered the limits of what is now the city of Decatur. There was then one school in the city denominated the "brick college." It was conducted in the lower story of the building situated on the north side of the new square, and consisted of a single teacher and about 50 pupils of all ages and degrees of advancement, from the little one just learning its A, B, C, to the boy a few inches taller than the teacher and engaged in a wrestle with the "rule of three", and included the proverbial "fat boy," who always sat down *quietly* in such a way as to shake one whole side of the room.

At that time, although there were other church organizations, there were but two church buildings in the place. One was the Christian church, and was the same building now used by Mr. S. Powers as a stable for his fine horses. The other was the M. E. church, and was almost exactly similar in structure, and was located on Church street, just north of where the H. W. Hill & Co. manufactory now stands. Both of these structures were built after the style of that day, and were entirely innocent of paint within and without. I visited the M. E. church on the occasion of the organization of a Sabbath School for the summer of 1853; for Sabbath Schools had not then become perennial here, but died with the chill frosts of autumn and, like the prairie flowers, revived again with the warm breath of spring. As I was one of the new comers I was one of the boys that was more especially organized, and, although it is in conflict with the memory of some others, I have a distinct recollection that I was organized on a seat with no back to it. The pulpit was an elevated one into which the preacher ascended by a flight of stairs. It was, as we are informed, of unplaned boards, but the people of Decatur were even then advancing in aesthetics, as was evidenced by the fact that the roughness of the pulpit was neatly covered in with green worsted cloth. The structure was, when occasion required, lighted by means of tallow candles, and in connection with its illumination there is one thing deserving of mention, as it indicates that even at this early period there was an inventive tendency, and a readiness in the use of expedients which gave promise of the inventions of later years, which has given to our city a well-earned fame and brought to our city a prosperous trade. In the center of the room a rope was suspended from a fastening in the ceiling and drawn through the hollow intended for the end of the axle in a cart wheel with the fellows knocked off, this rope was attached to a stick which was of sufficient length to extend across the opening in the lower part of the hub, and thus the cart wheel was suspended. At the end of each spoke radiating from this hub was attached a lighted candle, and thus the room was not simply illuminated, but was actually ornamented with a circle of flame.

At the conclusion of Mr. Outten's remarks Mr. Burroughs announced the last toast of the evening, "Woman — the world's civilizer and moralizer," and called upon Hon. J. R. Gorin to respond, which he did in the following happy manner:

Woman, loved and created to be loved and sheltered by man, possessed of strong feelings, capable of exhibiting the highest type of love—love akin to that of the Saviour of the world; but when her nature is perverted by wrongs sustained, or love unrequited, often exhibits feelings of intense hatred and revenge. What would the world do without woman? Man without her and the benign influences which belong to her true nature, would degenerate into a state lower than that of the brute creation. Intuitively right on all moral questions, she is the great power on the moral and religious lever which is raising mankind up to her own high ideal of purity and virtue, and with the ballot in her hand (which high privilege she is destined soon to enjoy) she will drive from our nation and the world all legalized immorality. Only as she is viewed in her varied relations in life does she appear in all her perfection of true womanly power, seeming to be ruled by yet ruling the lords of creation. Through her influence the discordant elements of society are often cemented together in love. As mother and wife the center of home attraction, an angel of mercy in the sick room; the sunshine of her smiles scatters the dark clouds which gather around us in adversity; the children's refuge; the daughter's guide; the young man's protection, the hope of the world. Loved by all save the crusty old bachelor. God bless woman!

This ended the programme, but the end was not yet, for Alderman McNabb rose and stated that the occasion seemed to call for one more toast, which he begged leave to read

"The Union Iron Works and the Western Corn Sheller—the success of the one and the popularity of the other." To this sentiment Mr. McNabb called upon Chas. A. Ewing, Esq., to respond.

After acknowledging the honor conferred upon him by being called upon to respond to the sentiment and to stand as the exponent of such an important industry, Mr. Ewing spoke briefly of the Union Iron Works, saying substantially that as essentially the same institution although under different titles, and with somewhat varied interests, but guided by the same general management, it had been an important factor in the business interests of Decatur, for many years. It had its day of small things, its times of adversity. But then as now it had enjoyed universal confidence and respect.—Its transactions had been honored, and its work faithfully done. And, that was no small element in the general estimation. They who toiled in its employment for their daily wage had always experienced a kindly, just and generous treatment. Its popularity has been worthily earned, and now that the light of prosperity is resting upon it, now that it has grown from a small shop to a great factory, giving employment to over fifty men, and paying them some thousand dollars a month, we who are without and you who are within can join heartily in saying, "Long life to the Union Iron works, and golden success." But what of the "Western Corn Sheller?" What is it? It is the consummate flower of the works; the ripened fruit of all those years of anxious thought and toil; the happy outgrowth of the invested thousands. It is the bread winner for every man that labors there. It is a part of the marvelous machinery of the world, that aggregation of wonders of almost new creations which we do not always sufficiently appreciate. Such inventions are spoken of as labor-saving devices, as though they were short cuts to idleness. They are immense reinforcements to mankind, prodigious additions to the labor force of the world. They are the means not only by which we do things easier and quicker than we otherwise could do, but also by which we do what otherwise we could not do at all.—What could we do with our millions of bushels of corn, if there were not sufficient mechanical devices for shelling it? The labor of our hands would be helpless before it. The corn sheller is indeed a mighty helper! It has been said that the most distinguished citizen of Kentucky is a horse. One of the most distinguished citizens of Decatur is the "Western Corn Sheller." This peerless worker, the best of his kind, almost a living soul. It commands tribute from the length and breadth of Illinois, the prairies of Iowa, the plains of Kansas, and the valleys of California. And away across the ocean where the Danube rolls, through the broad corn fields of Austria and Hungary, in the ancient land of the Goth and Hun, a Western Corn Sheller, born in far-off Decatur, is doing its perfect work and rendering honor to the town from which it came. May it be found wherever there is corn to be shelled, and may they who send it forth in its might be richly rewarded.

THE PROTECTION LIFE.

Decision by Judge Blodgett in Favor of the Stockholders.

The long-pending suit of Receiver Cook, of the defunct Protection Life Insurance Company against a large number of the stockholders of that concern was decided by Judge Blodgett to-day. This matter came up on a petition signed by assignee asking the court to make the stockholders named show cause why they should not bear their portion of the liabilities of the company. The decision was of importance because it involved the question of the liability of stockholders. The court denied the petition. The principal ground upon which the decision was based was the fact that the rules of the company provided that where a stockholder failed to pay an assessment he forfeited his stock and severed his connection with the company by such failure. In the present case the stockholders had so failed to meet assessments, and hence had no interest in the assets and no liability in the debts of the company.—*Chicago Journal, 24th.*

The Australian world's exhibition has proved a gigantic failure, involving a loss of $1,000,000 to the government. Merchants of Great Britain, Canada and the United States who sent out goods find that they have stocked the New South Wales markets with machinery, agricultural implements, wagons and other goods sufficient for five years, and these have largely to be sacrificed to pay freights and charges.

THE British trade returns for November are quite reassuring. The value of imports increased more than one-third, as compared with November, 1878, and that of exports increased seven per cent. Both the quantity and the value of food and raw materials imported increased enormously. On the export side the largest increase was in iron and steel. The quantity of textile goods was somewhat larger, but the value of cotton, woolen, jute, linen and silk goods exported was less. The imports were more than double the exports in value.

THE Manitoba wave struck St. Paul yesterday and put the mercury down to forty degrees below zero.

THE indications are that slavery will soon be abolished in Cuba. The Spanish Senate has passed a bill for its abolition, and the Chamber of Deputies has it under favorable condition.

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"THE Peerless Baby Swing" is the greatest of recent inventions for the pleasure of children. It is truly "Mother's joy" and "Baby's pleasure." It is for sale by J. M. Stookey & Co.
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IF you are going to Chicago, stop at Mrs. M. E. Willenburg's boarding house at 46 South Sangamon street, where you will be furnished every accommodation at $1 and $2 per day.
Dec. 22—d&wtf

GREAT reductions in all-wool cashmeres and fine winter dress goods, at the
11d&wtf POPULAR N. Y. STORE.

HOOP SKIRTS, the latest styles, made to order, on short notice, at Goldburg's, West Wood street. 19-dtf

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The Best and Lowest Price CHILD'S SWING ever made, "The Peerless," at LIDDLE'S.

OYSTER STEWS 25 cents, at Barnes & Bro.'s. Dec18-d6t

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FRIDAY EVENING[illegible]

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HOMEMADE CAN[illegible] Barnes & Bro's.
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WANTED—Second[illegible] stoves; new goods [illegible] regardless of the [illegible] warranted as repre[illegible] funded. Nov14-dtf
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AN OUNCE of p[illegible] pound of cure. O[illegible] is worth ten of [illegible] Try it. Sold by D[illegible] 22-d&w1w

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The Daily Republican.

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 26, 1879.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

MAJOLICA ware in endless variety at E. D. Bartholomew & Co.'s, in opera block.

LOCAL matter on 4th page

NEW YEARS next.

ST. STEPHEN'S Day.

CHRISTMAS is coming.

FINE curtain goods at Abel & Locke's.

VENISON steaks at Delmonico restaurant. 3dtf

OYSTERS in all styles at the Delmonico.

OYSTERS, Turkeys and Chickens in abundance, at HAM & BLACK'S.
Dec. 24—d2d

A LARGE muff left at Hubbard & Swearingen's store can be recovered by describing it and paying for this notice.

GO TO the tabernacle this evening and get your supper, and dine there to-morrow

LARGE assortment of Non-Explosive Lamps at Wingate's lamp store.

SPLENDID turkeys and family groceries, at Niedermyer's, on the mound.

THERE were many happy little and big hearts in Decatur yesterday.

LEAVE your order on the slate for B F. Taylor's hack at Armstrong's drug store.

IT is a glorious pleasure to smoke Omer's "Morning Glory" nickel cigar.

GO TO Barnes & Bros. for your Chrissmas candies, sugar toys and fruits.
Dec. 18-d6t

A BOX of toothsome cake—a dozen varieties—from the Hall-Swearingen wedding, was left at the REPUBLICAN office this morning. It was perfectly delicious—Thanks

THOSE dollar a dozen photographs put up at Wells' gallery can't be beat
16 dtf

WARM hoods and Germantown yarns at Miss A. Millers.

AT the opera house next week Harry Weber Combination in "Nip and Tuck," Dec 31st; Frayne Tiffany Company, "Si Slocum," Jan 2, 1880. Both excellent

SMOKE the famous 5 cent "Telephone" cigar, to be had only at W C Armstrong's drug store

NOBBIEST visiting cards and books in the city just received at this office

SPLENDID carpets at very low prices at Abel & Locke's exclusive establishment

NEXT Sunday night Dr. Goodwin will preach the funeral sermon of Capt Harry White. The reformed men, anti-temperance men, and whisky-sellers are invited by the Doctor to hear the sermon.

CHEW Zig-zag tobacco, clear Kentucky white filler. dtf

PRUDENT people walk in the streets nowadays It's awfully slippery, you know.

QUAIL on toast at Delmonico restaurant 3dtf

HOLY communion was administered at St John's Church at 10 a. m to-day. Evening prayer to-night at 7 30 On Sunday next Rt. Rev. George F Seymour, D D., L L D., Bishop of the diocese, will officiate morning and evening, and will also conduct services at the House of Prayer.

A FINE assortment of hair, tooth and nail brushes, at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, opposite the post office 12-d2w

ON last evening Mrs. Perry Calvin, while walking on the ice in her yard in the west part of town, fell and broke her left arm near the wrist. The injured member received the immediate attention of a surgeon.

COMBINATION Globe Chimneys, Illuminators and Shades—new improvement—at Wingate's Decatur lamp store.

AN elegant line of box paper and stationery, at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, opposite post office. [12 d2w

WRIGHT'S, Lundborg's and Lubin's Perfumes, at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, opposite post office. [12-d2w

HOMEMADE CANDIES made daily at Barnes & Bro's. Dec18-d6d

BEST chewing, fine cut and smoking tobacco in the city, at Schroeder's, in post office block.

WANTED—Second-hand furniture and stoves, new goods at the lowest price, regardless of the advance. All goods warranted as represented or money refunded E. HOUSTON.
Nov14-dtf

MR. PHILLIP REMLINGER, an old subscriber to our paper and well known in the whole surrounding country, informed us the other day that his wife, who for two weary years had suffered with Rheumatism in the shoulder, during which time she had been treated by several physicians without success, had been completely cured by a single bottle of ST. JACOB'S OIL.—*Bucyrus, Ohio, Courier, Feb. 13, 1879.*

FRESH Bulk Oysters, 35 cents per quart, at Barnes Bros , 26 East Main street.
19-d6

20,000 yards of elegant woolen dress goods, only 12½c a yard, at the Popular New York Store 11 d&wtf

MRS GAGE'S private school for girls will remove from No. 6 North Water street to a larger apartment, under Brenneman's Hall, second floor, where the school will reopen on Monday, January 5, 1880 For terms and other particulars apply to Mrs J. B. Gage, at the above mentioned room, on or after Saturday, January 3d, next. It is very desirable that all scholars who are to attend during the term shall be present the opening day
26-dtoJan 3

AN OUNCE of prevention is worth a pound of cure. One bottle of Bromoline is worth ten of other liver medicines. Try it. Sold by Decatur druggists.
22-d&w1w

A Successful Festival.

The grand temperance fair and festival at the tabernacle, which commenced under favorable circumstances on Christmas eve, is attracting large crowds nightly, and there is every indication that it will prove a huge social and financial success. Supper and dinner may be had each day, and oysters in all styles and other edibles are served each evening at reasonable rates. There are two fancy work tables, an ice cream table and candy stand, that are being liberally patronized.

The articles to be voted away at 25 cents a vote are:

One elegant silver set, Mrs. M. P. Murphey and Mrs. J. W. Weigand, candidates.

One handsomely upholstered easy chair, at 25 cents a vote. Mayor Haworth, State's Attorney Buckingham, Jas. Freeman and John Irwin, candidates.

One finely-finished rocking chair, at 10 cents a vote. Mrs. Chas. Goodman and Mrs. John H. Brayton candidates.

Handsome jewel casket, at 10 cents a vote. Misses Minnie Waggoner, Notie Large and Annie Chambers, candidates.

A big cake, beautifully ornamented, donated by Mrs. M. B. Nicholls, to be voted away at 10 cents a vote. The only candidete so far is Mrs. Nicholls, who has received ten votes.

A handsomely dressed doll is to be voted to the brightest little girl at ten cents a vote.

Let everybody turn out to-night and to-morrow night, and aid the temperance societies in paying off the debt on the tabernacle.

Christmas Gifts.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 24th, at the corner of Broadway and Condit sts , Rev. Dr. Goodwin, pastor First M E. Church, united in marriage Mr. Thomas V. Jones and Miss Florence B. Adams, all of this city.

Mrs. Hattie Patterson's restaurant, on the north side of the park, was the scene of the marriage of Mr. Joseph H. Bennett, an employe of the Gas Works, and Miss Mattie Mooney, of Blue Mound, on Christmas day at noon. The ceremony was performed by Justice Peake, and was supplemented by a grand dinner. In the evening the infair was held at the home of the bridegroom's mother, on East Washington street, where the intimate friends of the family partook of a sumptuous wedding supper, prepared by Mrs. Bennett The gifts were numerous and useful.

Married, at the residence of the bride's parents on South Broadway, Dec. 24th, by Rev N. S Haynes, of the Christian church, Mr Douglass Sheppard and Miss Alice McCormick, both of Decatur The particulars of the interesting event are not at hand, but a liberal supply of the wedding cake is. Thanks, thanks.

Mr. Walter H. Towne, of Homer, Champaign county, Ill., and Miss Rose B. Bunker, of Illini township, this county, were married on Christmas day.

William C. Deakins, of Wheatland township, and Miss Rillie F. Platner, of this city, were married yesterday.

THE alarm of fire on Christmas day, shortly before turkey-eating time, which brought out the hose carts in double quick time, was caused by the partial burning of the floor in the infant class room at the Baptist church, on E. North street. The boy janitor had taken all the ashes out of the stove, which had a cracked bottom, and then built a roaring fire. Later the floor under the stove was discovered to be on fire, and but for the prompt arrival of the firemen the church might have been burned to the ground — Damage less than $5.

All Broke Up.

Mrs, William Hughes, who resides on North Clinton street, broke her right arm about six weeks ago. On Christmas morning she attempted to take a walk on the street, when she fell and broke her left arm and thigh. Dr. Walston reset the broken menbers. Mrs Hughes' condition is distressing in the extreme.

Lodge Officers.

The following is a list of officers elected Wednesday night for Central Lodge, No. 124, Independent Order Mutual Aid.

President—John Irwin.
Vice President—W. R. Scruggs.
Secretary—John Lytle.
Financial Sec'y—H. A. Wood.
Treasurer—O. Z. Greene.
Representative to Grand Lodge—John Irwin; alternate, John Lytle.
Trustee—W. R. Scruggs.

Attention, Turners!

You are hereby notified that on Thursday, Dec. 25, (Christmas night), the annual Christmas Tree and "Strawberry" Festival will be celebrated at your gymnasium, to which members only are admitted.
By order COMMITTEE
23-d2

Get Your Dinner and Supper at the Tabernacle.

The fair and festival at the tabernacle will commence on Christmas Eve, Dec 24th. Supper will be served from 5 o'clock until midnight. Dinner every day from 12 o'clock until 2, for which 35 cents will be charged. No admission fee. Supper, every day, 25 cents, and 10 cents admission

CHRISTMAS TREES.

Two large Christmas Trees have been provided—one for the general public, and the other for the children of the Cold Water Army. No charge will be made for the use of these trees, and it is expected that they will be generally patronized By order of

D. S. SHELLABARGER,
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Board of Trustees

THE favorite "Prescription" cigar of J. T. Hubbard's is the leading cigar in the city—opposite the post office.
12-d2w

Mothers

Will find nice good suits for their boys, cheap, at Cheap Charley's. 13 d&wtf

CHRISTMAS, 1879.

How the Day was Observed in Decatur—Church Festivities, Etc.

Another Christmas is numbered with the past, and little children and children of larger growth, with but few exceptions, were made glad with presents from fathers, mothers, sweethearts and friends. The manufacturing establishments, the stores, the banks, postoffice and public offices were closed during the day. Owing to the crowded state of our columns we are compelled to boil down festivities that are deserving of more extended notices.

CHRISTMAS EVE.

There were about 100 children and a large number of adults present at the Christmas festivities at St. John's Church Wednesday evening. The decorations and exercises were in keeping with the occasion, and the tree was lighted with wax tapers. The presents consisted of boxes of candies.

Will Stevenson personated Santa Claus at Stapp's Chapel, where there was a big crowd of adults, and 350 children received sacks of candies, and oranges from a tree 20 feet high. The singing by the choir, accompanied by Goodman's orchestra, was remarkably fine. The superintendent of the school, Mr. D. S. Shellabarger, received an Osage orange staff, very unique in design, from the school.

At the First M. E Church the festivities were held in the lecture room, where nearly 450 little hearts were made happy with patent boxes containing assorted candy and popcorn. There were two illuminated trees, a house and Santa Claus and wife, (Frank Roby and Lizzie Knieper) and a team of reindeers The distribution of the presents was very nicely managed.

There was a Christmas tree for the children at the German Lutheran Church on West Wood street

There was a "Mother Goose" doings at the Universalist Church with an abundance of presents for young and old Miss Eliza Nebinger personated Mother Goose.

At the tabernacle there were two huge trees, one for the Cold Water Army with articles of various kinds, and another from which were suspended valuable presents for everybody, or nearly everybody. Miss Luella Dawson received a handsome gold watch from her brother, Dr John A. Dawson, of Casner Station, and Mrs. John Armstrong got a silver cake stand.

CHRISTMAS NIGHT.

Two hundred children and a house full of adults were made happy at the United Brethren church with appropriate presents from a huge Christmas tree lighted with wax tapers. Rev. A. H. Chittenden received a beautiful book, "The Life of Christ," from the school.

There were two illuminated Christmas trees at the Baptist church and appropriate exercises in which the choir and Lizzie Gastman, Addie Bills, Chas. Batson, Hattie Carrigan, James. Willieand Bennie Freeman took part. Mrs. B. F. Smith received a picture of her class of boys.—Miss Lou Knieper, the organist, a $10 bill, and the pastor, Rev. Batson one envelope containing $46 in cash, from the congregation, and another with $5 in it from a Wabash member of the church. There were not less than 150 children present.

There was a Christmas tree for the children of the Antioch Baptist Church School in the grand jury room, where the members of that congregation gave a festival. There were presents for young and old, and a long table loaded down with handsome cakes and lots of good things to eat.

The Christian church was beautifully illuminated and crowded with 200 Sabbath School children and members of the congregation There was a large Christmas tree hung with candies, apples and oranges There were songs and an appropriate address by the pastor.

The children of the Sabbath School at the House of Prayer on East Eldorado street, were remembered with presents from the Christmas tree, on which the children of St. John's Church looked the night before. The residents of the eastern part of the city presented the church with a handsomely boune Bible.

FAMILY FESTIVITIES

Christmas morning there was a combination jubilee at Mr and Mrs T A Gehrmann's residence on West William street, Mr. and Mrs. Haworth and family and Mr. M. Einstein and family being present. There was a Christmas tree in the parlor lighted with wax tapers, and a fine breakfast was served.

The special agents of the Singer Sewing Machine Co , to the number of 15, and their families, spent Christmas day at the residence of the Decatur agent, Mr Geo P. Blume on West Prairie street, where there was singing and feasting in abundance. George received a $100 easy chair from his employes, and they in turn were handsomely remembered. Mrs. Blume, besides acting the part of hostess to perfection, rendered excellent selections on the piano.

The proprietors of the Decatur Linseed Oil Works, Hatfield, Taylor & Co , presented each of their employes with a Christmas turkey.

Masquerade.

A Grand Masque Ball will be given by Prof. Wilhelmy's Orchestra at Grenadier's Hall, New Year's Eve, 1879, at which two prizes will be given to the best lady and gentlemen masquers No improper characters admitted Tickets including lady, $1 00. 24-d5

Scarlet

Underwear for ladies and gentlemen, the best that are manufactured, at unusually low prices. We have still a very large stock of underwear of every grade and quality, and in common with a great many other goods in the various departments of our house, are subject to a reduction, as indicated and explained in our regular advertisement. No buncombe.
22-d&w1w CHEAP STORE.

A Double Wedding.

One of the principal Christmas celebrations in Hickory township, was the double wedding of Mr. Frank M. Beall, of Warrensburg, and Miss Sarah T. Metlen, and Mr. F. M. Moore, of Bearsdale, and Miss Emma R. Metlen, which occurred at six p. m. The ceremony was performed by Elder Gregory, of the Church of God, in the presence of about 100 guests, at the residence of the brides' father, Mr. Alexander T Metlen, one of the best known farmers in Macon county, who resides two-and-a-half miles north of Decatur in Hickory township. The supper was complete in all its details, and altogether it was a very joyous occasion. The REPUBLICAN was remembered by a bountiful supply of the wedding cake.

The Dead At Rest.

The funeral of the late Captain Henry A. White took place this (Friday) forenoon at 10 o'clock from the family residence northeast of the Union depot. The services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Prestley, and the remains were followed to Greenwood cemetery by a large number of sympathizing friends, and interred with fitting military honors by the Veteran association of which the deceased was a member. Mrs. White and her three children will remove to Morgan county.

"Gen. Grant."

Blenz & Danzeisen, the old square butchers, desire us to state that they will put "Gen. Grant" on the block to-morrow, and will sell choice cuts and steaks at the usual prices. He was a magnificent steer, weighing 1575 pounds. Early callers may also purchase cuts from "Victoria" and "Bright Eyes."

PERSONAL MENTION.

William Phelps, Esq , of Chicago, is in the city, visiting relatives

Darwin Greer, of the railway mail service, arrived in the city this morning.

C. W. Pringle has our thanks for a batch of Springfield, Mass., dailies sent us by mail.

E. A. Gastman made his little daughter Lizzie a Christmas present of a handsome $500 upright piano, from C. B. Prescott's music parlors in opera block.

Mrs. F. P. Vail, on Christmas day, presented her husband with a bouncing baby boy, who will doubtless follow the example of his pa, and become a rising young lawyer in the years to come.

Harry J. Caldwell is home from Colorado During his absence he was the official stenographer for the Ute commission at the Los Pinos agency, and was also the authorized special Indian correspondent of the Denver *Tribune*. His specials to that paper were condensed by the associated press agents and read by the people throughout the country

Diamonds!

See our stock of DIAMONDS before you buy your Christmas presents. We are offering bargains.
22-1dw1 CURTIS & EWING.

WE are *still receiving* new goods, don't think our assortment is broken We open to-day new invoices of several different lines. CURTIS & EWING

DIED.

In Long Creek township, Dec. 25, 1879, Henry Davis, in the 16th year of his age.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 25.—There seems to be much doubt in the minds of the President and Mr. Evarts when the English and Russian missions will be filled. It has been intimated to several distinguished gentlemen that the English mission was at their disposal, but in every case the gentleman was either unable to meet the demands upon his private means necessary to maintain the style of living which has grown up at the American legation at the Court of St. James during the last decade, or had other interests at home which he regarded as paramount to the acceptance of this distinguished position. Ex-Gov. Morgan or Fenton of New York, could either have had this position. Mr. Morgan declined on account of business obligations, and Mr. Fenton because he could not afford it. Recently Gov. Bullock received intimations through Attorney General Devens that he could have this position if he desired it. In his declination he informed the Government that owing to the delicate health of his wife, whom he feared would be unable to stand the climate of London, which is very severe on pulmonary diseases, he was reluctantly compelled to decline the honor. The last person with whom they have been in consultation on this subject was Courtlandt Parker, of New Jersey, and the Government is anxious that he should accept the position. As a member of the Cabinet expressed it to-night, it is very embarrassing to the Government to have this important mission going a begging. It is now well understood that in order to live at these two capitals in a manner becoming the importance of this Government and to maintain the style of living in keeping with representatives, not only of other great powers, but even of minor nationalities, it is necessary for a minister to expend at least $20,000 above his salary. The further fact that it is now proposed to make another reduction in the salaries of ministers has also given the Government much embarrassment, as the President and Mr. Evarts are determined only to appoint gentlemen of the first social standing and public consideration.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—President Hayes leaves Friday for a visit to relatives in Plainfield, N. J. He will stop one night in Philadelphia with ex-Minister Welsh, where he will meet Gen. Grant.

THERE is a strong sentiment in the Democratic party in favor of Seymour for presidential candidate. It would be singular if Grant should have his old antagonist of 1868 to run against in 1880.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Your correspondent, with members of the New York Electric Light Company, enjoyed last evening, a private exhibition of the newly-invented electric light and lamp in the home of Edison, the inventor, at Menlo Park. There was previously, in the laboratory, an inspection of all apparatus and the materials that enter into the production of the new light; but, of course, the information obtained by that inspection will remain with those in whom Edison has reposed confidence. The working of the light and lamp at the residence of Mr. Edison was completely successful, and people will be both astonished and gratified at the results of the public exhibition soon to be given. The simultaneous publication in several cities on Monday, of the story of Edison's succes was not desired by the Electric Company. They say there was no intention to forestall public judgment, but the unwillingness of one newspaper, which was in possession of the story, to withhold it from the public eye made it necessary to permit all to publish it; hence the publication. The company did not wish, either, that the values of gas stock should be depreciated, as dispatches from London and Montreal show is the case. It was hoped that the light would have a chance, this time, to be its own advocate. The successful operation on light at Edison's residence makes it appear that matches will be things of the past in cities when the light becomes fairly established, while those who manufacture piping, chandeliers and globes, now necessary in the use of gas, must find some other industries, and the owners of gas stock, from appearances, will be the poorest of people. There is the best authority (the Secretary of the company) for this statement, that no one, anywhere, has authority to reprerent or act for the company. A story is current in some circles here that a party has authority to offer $1,400 for every $100 worth of stock of the Electric Light Company that my be for sale. I have not been able to verify the story.

FREE OF COST.

Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, etc., is given away in trial bottles *free of cost*, to the afflicted. If you have a severe cough, cold, difficult breathing, hoarseness or any affection of the throat or lungs, by all means give this wonderful remedy a trial. As you value your existence you cannot afford to let this opportunity pass. We could not afford and would not give this remedy away unless we knew it would accomplish what we claim for it. Thousands of hopeless cases have been completely cured by it. There is no medicine in the world that will cure one-half the cases that Dr. King's New Discovery wil cure. For sale by Hubbard & Swearingen, Decatur, Ill.

MARKET REPORT.

DECATUR, ILL., Dec. 26, 1879.

GRAIN MARKET.

FLOUR patent process	$4 25
FLOUR—White Wheat selling per hundred lbs	$3 75
FLOUR—Red wheat selling per hundred lbs	2.75
WHEAT	1.25
CORN MEAL—White selling	55@60
" " —Yellow "	.50
SHORTS—Per hundred, selling	.75
CORN—New	.33
OATS	28@30
Rye	.67
FLAXSEED—Per bushel	1.25

FARM PRODUCE.

POTATOES	60
BUTTER—Per lb	20
EGGS—Per dozen	20
LARD—Selling	8
SIDE-BACON—Selling	9
HAMS—Selling	12½
CHICKENS—Per dozen, live	2.00
DRESSED CHICKENS—Each	20
" TURKEYS—Per pound,	10
ONIONS—Per bushel	1.50@2.00
APPLES—Per bushel	60@75
TIMOTHY HAY—New, per ton	9.00@10
BALED HAY, selling at	$14
FAT CATTLE—Per cwt	3.00@3.25
HOGS—Per cwt.	3.00@3.25
HIDES—Green	.6½
" — " damaged	½ price
" —Dry	10@16
SHEEP PELTS—Apiece	.50a1.00
TALLOW—Per pound	.5½

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Decatur, Ill , Dec 19, 1879—d&wtf

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Decatur One-Price Shoe Store.

Goods Marked in Plain Figures.

ALL accounts agree that there has been an unusual demand for cheaply made or shoddy boots or shoes. It is a very short-sighted policy to buy or sell such stuff. In using these goods you pay out twice as much money in a year for your boots and shoes, and you never have a pair that fits, because manufacturers of the cheap grades give no attention to the fit of their work. We trust that people who buy shoddy work will turn over a new leaf in this matter and practice true economy, by making quality the first consideration of their purchase of boots and shoes. At the popular Boot and Shoe House of L. L. Ferriss you can get prime, solid and serviceable Boots and Shoes for as little money as you can buy cheaper grades elsewhere His goods are made from the choicest materials, over improved styles of Lasts, graded in sizes and widths to fit the human foot properly—and no shoddy nor deception there. Mr. Ferriss does a one-price cash business, and can afford to sell very low. You can find the largest assortment in the city of strictly good goods at Ferriss' New Shoe Store, 13 East Main street, being just across the street from his old store and one door east of Millikin's Bank.

LARGE INVOICES NEW GOODS ARRIVING DAILY
L. L. FERRISS.

June 26th, 1879—d&wtf

Unfavorable weather and a backward season finds us, late as it is, with an almost unbroken stock; and, while we do not pretend to do business for glory, our sincerity and meaning cannot be mistaken, when under these circumstances we say that we offer to the people of Decatur and vicinity, and to the people at large,

Extraordinary Bargains!

We have marked down, and offer from this day on at

ACTUAL COST

A Complete Line of

CLOAKS,
SHAWLS,
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Our Goods are in every respect equal to the best, and our connections with the foremost houses in the country

SOL MORITZ & CO.
CHEAP STORE,
Sign of the Big 18.

DO NOT select your Christmas presents until you have seen our stock of *Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Silverware*, etc. Step in and see our stock—you will be surprised to see what an extensive stock we have, and what a variety we can offer you, as well as at the low prices we make.
22-d4w1 CURTIS & EWING.

Buffalo Robes.

We have just received a nice lot of robes; at the following prices, $8.50, $11.50, $12 50. Call and make your selections soon, as we shall not have any more until after the holidays.
Dec19toJan1 J. G. STARR & SON.

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CATARRH

Of Ten Years' Duration. The Discharges Thick, Bloody, and of Foul Odor. Senses of Smell and Taste Wholly Gone. Entirely Cured by

SANFORD'S RADICAL CURE.

Messrs. Weeks & Potter: Gentlemen—I feel compelled to acknowledge to you the great benefit SANFORD'S RADICAL CURE has been to me. For ten years I have been afflicted with this loathsome disease, and especially in the winter time has it been most severe. The discharge has been thick and bloody, emitting a foul odor so bad that my presence in a room with others was very offensive to them. One week after commencing the use of SANFORD'S RADICAL CURE I was not troubled with it at all. My senses of taste and smell, which were wholly gone, have now fully returned, and my general health is much improved. Yours,
MELBOURNE H. FORD,
Short-Hand Writer.
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., Nov. 3, 1876.

LATER.

Gentlemen: The package of SANFORD'S CURE arrived here to-night all right. I don't know what I should have done if it had not been for this remedy. I have tried Nasal Douches and everything else, and although I have been able to stop the offensive discharge, I have not been able to recover my senses of taste and smell until I tried SANFORD'S CURE. You can refer any one you choose to me, and I will cheerfully inform them in detail as to the benefit the remedy has been to me. Yours,
MELBOURNE H. FORD.
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., Nov. 15, 1876.

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Not only promptly arrests the corroding discharges in Catarrh, but, by sympathetic action, it restores to sound health all the organs of the head that have become affected by it, and exhibit any of the following affections:—

Defective Eyesight, Inflamed and Mattery Eyes, Painful and Watery Eyes, Loss of Hearing, Earache, Neuralgia of the Ear, Discharges from the Ear, Ringing Noises in the Head, Dizziness, Nervous Headache, Pains in the Temples, Loss of the Senses of Taste and Smell, Elongation of the Uvula, Inflammation of the Tonsils, Putrid Sore Throat, Tickling or Hacking Cough, Bronchitis, and Bleeding of the Lungs.

Each package contains Dr. Sanford's Improved Inhaling Tube, with full and carefully prepared directions for use in all cases. Price, $1. For sale by all wholesale and retail druggists and dealers throughout the United States and Canadas. WEEKS & POTTER, General Agents and Wholesale Druggists, Boston, Mass.

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Relieve Affections of the Heart.
Relieve Affections of the Liver.
Relieve Affections of the Spleen.
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Relieve Affections of the Nerves.
Relieve Affections of the Muscles.
Relieve Affections of the Joints.
Relieve Affections of the Bones.
Relieve Affections of the Sinews.

No matter what may be the extent of your suffering, try one of these Plasters. Relief is *instantaneous*, a fact so attested by hundreds of testimonials in our possession. Bear in mind that the most important discoveries in pharmacy date back less than ten years, and that ... with Electric plants and ... soothing, healing, and strengthening properties ... superior to all other Plasters ... scientific physicians ...

Price, 25 Cents.

Be careful to ... COLLINS' VOLTAIC PLASTER lest you get ... Sold by all Wholesale and Retail Druggists throughout the United States and Canadas, and by WEEKS & POTTER, Proprietors, Boston, Mass.

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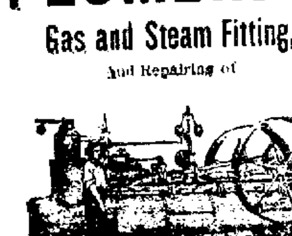

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July 3, 1879 dly

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Sept 16—deodtf

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of FRANCES MUNCH, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims and demands against the estate of Frances Munch, deceased, to present the same for adjudication and settlement at a regular term of the county court of Macon county, to be holden at the court house, in the city of Decatur, on the second Monday of February, A. D. 1880, being the first day of said term.
Decatur, Ill., Dec. 16, A. D. 1879.
RICHARD W. SHULL, Executor.
Dec. 17—d3w

TO THE PUBLIC.

I AM PREPARED TO PURCHASE FOR citizens of Decatur.

Oats, Corn, Hay, Wood,

ETC., BY THE LOAD.

Orders left at my store will be filled as promptly as possible. Charges reasonable.
Nov. 21—dtf V. H. PARKE.

100,000 Bushels of Corn Wanted by Linn & Scruggs, for which they will pay two cents a bushel more than the highest market price in merchandise, the corn to be delivered at D. S. Shellabarger & Co.'s mill. [Nov. 18—d&wtf

IT will pay you to visit the great sale of remnants of dress goods at the Popular New York Store. 11-d&wtf

IF there is anything you can imagine in the furniture line, whether you ever saw it or not, you can find it at
Dec. 17—d&w2w ASHBY & ANDRESS'.

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Has been added to this edition of the paper, and is very highly spoken of by the School Superintendents and Teachers. It is intended to fill a want long felt by persons interested in our schools.

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For Sale at Wholesale and Retail by

DR. A. J. STONER,
Sept. 13—dtf DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

County Physician and Steward Wanted.

THE committee appointed to secure the services of a physician for the paupers in Decatur township and the Macon county poor house, also the prisoners in the county jail, for fourteen months, commencing on January 1st, 1880, and a Steward for the poor farm for one year, commencing on the 1st day of March, 1880, will meet at the County Clerk's office in Decatur, on Friday, the 26th inst., at 1 o'clock p. m. Proposals will be received until twelve o'clock noon on that day. The committee reserve the right to reject any or all proposals.
J. N. HOYT,
P. F. LEHMAN,
S. MAHANNAH,
R. KIRBY,
W. B. CHAMBERS,
JOHN LONGSTREET,
C. J. ROBERTS,
Dec. 5—d&wtd Committee.

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ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

In the District Court of the United States for the Southern District of Illinois—ss. At Decatur, in the county of Macon, State of Illinois, the 21st day of December, A. D. 1879.

THE undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as assignee of Martin L. Ryan, of Niantic, in the county of Macon, State of Illinois, within said district, who has been adjudged a bankrupt upon his own petition by the district court of said district.
HARRY H. CREA, Assignee, &c.
Dec. 22—d3w

Treatment of House-Plants.

In watering plants in rooms, discretion must be used; cactus, cereus, and in fact, all the so-called succulents, require but little water in winter; simply enough to keep them growing. Callas, and all that class of aquatic or semi-aquatic plants, will bear watering to saturation. As a rule, smooth-leaved and hard plants require less watering than pubescent and soft-leaved plants. Many small pots require water every day, sometimes twice a day—they dry out so fast—unless plunged into some moist material. The difficulty with amateurs is, they usually give small pots too little water, and large pots too much. Until the true habit and necessities of a plant are learned, it is better that it dry sufficiently to droop a little, rather than that the soil be kept saturated. Over-saturation kills more plants than too much dryness.

Opinion of Celebrated Dr. Wm. H. Stokes, Physician, Mt. Hope Retreat, Baltimore: "I have great pleasure in adding my testimony to the virtues of Colden's Liebig Liquid Extract of Beef and Tonic Invigorator as the very best preparation used for depression, weakness and indigestion, and therefore confidently recommend it to the medical profession."
Sold by druggists.
Dec. 12—d&w1m

Overstocked

As we are in cloaks and circulars, we have placed them on sale at about *cost and carriage*. Among others we have about two dozens in all-wool heavy beaver, handsomely trimmed and faultless in style and fit—perfectly beautiful garments—to which we beg to call the special attention of ladies interested. We mean exactly what we say, and no buncombe. Call in and see them.
19 d&w1w CHEAP STORE.

THIS is probably your last chance to buy prints, skirtings, ginghams and all domestic goods at last year's prices. Call at once to get the great advantage of this offer at the Popular New York Store.
11 d&wtf

To the Public.

YOU can be supplied with overshoes, rubbers, etc., at Barber & Baker's. Call and select a pair. They have a large assortment on hand. [Nov26d&wtf

Lesson Notes for 1880.

The best help for Sunday school teachers. For sale by J. M. STOOKEY & Co.
Dec. 10—d&w2w

LADIES wishing to have any crocheting done to order will please call on Goldburg on West Wood street, where they can also have any and all the latest styles of hoop-skirts made to order.
Aug. 29—dtf

$21 WILL buy a D. B. breech-loading shotgun, Lefaucheaux action, the strongest action made, warranted for one year, at H. MUELLER & Co.'s.
aug 27-dtf

Made to Order.

The celebrated Wilson Bros.' Shirts made to order and in stock, at
dtf B. STINE'S, the Boss Clothier.

Query:—Why will you smoke a poor 5-cent cigar when you can get "Kepler's Queen," warranted 18 carats fine, for the same money? [April 11-dtf

JUST RECEIVED, a large and elegant assortment of Cloaks and Dolmans, at lower prices than were ever sold, at
Nov. 15—d&wtf LINN & SCRUGGS'.

SHELLABARGER'S patent process flour saves one-half the labor in baking, and will make more bread to the pound than any other flour ever sold here.
Dec. 18—d&wtf

A NICE fitting shoe is what every lady wants and should have. You can get them at BARBER & BAKER'S.
Nov. 26—d&wtf

1,200 yards of dress goods in remnants, various lengths and all qualities, this season's goods, selling out at real bargains, at the Popular New York Store.
11-d&wtf

We Guarantee

Price, color and quality of all the goods we sell, but from this date will take no goods back because the purchaser makes a mistake; as goods are always more or less damaged, and remnants always entail losses that cannot be borne on account of the very small profits."
July 19 d&wtf LINN & SCRUGGS.

Coal! Coal!! Coal!!

Anthracite and Bituminous. Sole agent for the sale of Delaware & Hudson Canal Co.'s Lackawanna Coal; also agent for sale of Cumberland Blossburg Coal. Orders left with Ashby & Andress, V. H. Park, Clay Dempsey's cigar store, or by mail promptly attended to. Yard and office adjoining Decatur Furniture Factory. J. H. VENNIGERHOLZ.
Sept6 d&w1m

The Comfort Patent Corset—Bortree's Adjustable, Foy's Supporter, Moody's Abdominal, Glove Fitting, Hundred Bones, together with the best and cheapest French Corsets in the city, at
Jan. 23—d&wtf LINN & SCRUGGS'.

Mme. Demorest's Reliable Patterns; the instructive "What to Wear," 15 cts., and Portfolios, 15 cents, just received by LINN & SCRUGGS. [mar15d&wtf

Shellabarger's Patent Process Flour retains all the nourishment contained in the wheat. None of its virtues are wasted. Try it. [Dec. 18-d&wtf

EVERYBODY look and satisfy themselves that they can get better bargains in boots and shoes at Barber & Baker's.
Nov. 26—d&wtf

50 PAIRS of beautiful bed blankets, slightly soiled, closing out at great bargains, at the
11d&wtf POPULAR N.Y. STORE.

IMMENSE reduction in cloaks and shawls from now until Holidays, to close out, at the Popular New York Store [11d&wtf

Samuel's Purchase.

A Chicago policeman was the other day halted near the City Hall by a 200 pound woman with a parcel in her hand and she requested to be directed to the store where they sold mottoes. He asked which particular store she wanted, and she explained:

"Well, I can't tell. My old man came to town yesterday and I wanted him to buy the motto 'God Bless our Home.' He got in somewhere where they told him that stylish folks no longer hung that motto, and the old idiot went and brought home this one."

She unrolled the parcel and held up a card on which was tastily painted:

"Don't ask for credit—Our terms are cash."

"You needn't grin," she said, as she rolled the card up again; "I am heavy on foot and the walking is bad, but I am going to walk the town till I find the man who got this thing off on Samuel for 'God Bless our Home.'"

THE lower house of the Massachusetts Legislature has 35 merchants, 30 farmers, 25 lawyers, 22 mechanics and 20 manufacturers. There are 5 editors, and three are reported as literary gentlemen. One member is described as a button-hole maker. The New York *Times* thinks he might be a valuable adjunct to the lobby.

VASSAR College has three Japanese ladies among its students.

New Styles.

We have just received a large lot of plain and fancy visiting cards, including a number of the popular Japanese styles, and others, which have never before been brought to this market. These include plain and beveled edges, square cards, &c. A portion of our New Year cards have also arrived, and persons can now make their selections before the assortment has been picked over.

Mrs. Grindol, at her boarding house No. 11 West Main street, can furnish boarding and rooms by the day or week for a few more boarders; fare good, and price very reasonable.
March 5—dtf

TIME is money, but health is happiness. If you have a bad cold or cough, use Dr. Marshall's Lung Syrup, it will cure you. Price, 25 cents, 50 cents and $1 a bottle. Sold by Decatur druggists.
Dec. 25—d&w1w

FOR plumbing on sanitary principles, sewerage, drainage and ventilation, call at H. MUELLER & Co.'s.
Aug. 27-dtf

JOSH BILLINGS: If you can't git fine shews and a good educashun git the shews at the popular snew store of L. L. FERRISS. 22-d&wtf

A COMPLETE line of the latest styles in Jewelry, Watches, Clocks, etc., at W. W. Scudder's, corner opposite post office.
16-d&wtf

MERINO underwear, and ladies' and misses' cashmere wool hose, greatly reduced to close out, at the
11d&wtf POPULAR N.Y. STORE.

NOTIONS, in endless variety, at the Popular New York Store 11-d&wtf

"THE GREAT BOOM."

Eighteen hundred and seventy-nine will long be remembered as the time when all kinds of business and financial prosperity seemed to spring into new life. *Merchants* are finding plenty of ready customers for their wares, *mechanics* meet with ready employment at fair wages, and the farmers are receiving advanced prices for their products, and it is acknowledged by all that in no part of our country are the evidences of prosperity and comfort so marked as along the entire line of the "*Old Reliable*" *Hannibal & St. Joseph Railroad*. And to attain these results the management of the Hannibal & St. Joseph Railroad have given their careful thought and attention, and the rapid growth of business, and increasing wealth of the community along the whole line are evidences that their efforts are fully appreciated. We are, as usual, running in connection with the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad through Day Coaches, Reclining Chairs (free), and Pullman Sleeping Cars from Chicago via Quincy to Missouri river points. Also through Day Coaches from Toledo and Indianapolis, with Pullman Sleeping Cars from Toledo via Danville, Springfield and Quincy, to Kansas City, Atchison and St. Joseph without change. Families traveling with children will find it greatly to their advantage to take the "Old Reliable" H. & St. Jo. R. R., as no changes or transfers are made.
J. A. S. REED,
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59 Clark st., Chicago.
C. W. BOARDMAN,
Passenger Agent,
Decatur, Ill.
T. PENFIELD,
Gen'l Pass. Agt.,
Hannibal, Mo.

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A BIG BARGAIN

FOR SOMEBODY.

THE undersigned, having determined to remove to another State, wishes to inform the public that he will sell

His Entire Stock of

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in bulk, (very suitable for a country store,) on VERY EASY TERMS. Also, his

Two-Story Brick Store Building,

(Southeast corner of the Old Square), size 20x90 feet, with good dry cellar, bake shop, oven, and fixtures for the same, including a pair of first-class platform scales, etc.

Will sell the Stock of Groceries at a bargain, and will sell or rent the premises to responsible parties. It is a very desirable business location. Apply to the proprietor,

SAMUEL McROBERTS,

who will, personally, give all further particulars that may be desired. Dec17d&w2w

ZANESVILLE, OHIO, Sept. 10, 1878

Messrs. MORGAN & ALLEN; 59 St. John st., New York City:—*Dear Sirs*, I am pleased to inform you that father is almost as well as he ever was. His appetite is improving daily; he does not have to get up during the night, whereas he used to get up every half hour. He remarked at the supper-table this evening that he felt so well—better than he had for several years. The quantity of urine now passed in twenty-four hours does not exceed one quart—the proper quantity—quite a drop from 3½ gallons. Will do as you say, let him eat anything, and if any return of the disease you will hear from me. Yours very truly,
JNO. L. SMITH.

ZANESVILLE, Nov. 7, 1878.

Messrs. MORGAN & ALLEN, 59 St. John st., New York City:—*Dear Sirs*, It has been some time since I wrote you in regard to how father was getting along. So I thought I would write you to-day. I am happy to say that he is *entirely well*, has been cured with less than three bottles of Constitution Water. Since he has been taking the Constitution Water, we have heard of a good many cases of diabetes in this city. One lady especially has it very bad. When we first heard of her she was in bed with it. She bought one bottle of Constitution Water, and, after taking a few doses, was able to sit up. Send me as many circulars as you can for the enclosed stamps. There are a great many persons that want them. Yours very truly,
JNO. L. SMITH.

Ask your druggist for it.

Handsome.

Besides our regular line of felt skirts of the cheaper grades, we have in stock about 100 very handsome, nicely trimmed bottoms, flannel and cassimere skirts, made out of first-class material, which we offer at extremely low figures.
22-d&w1w CHEAP STORE.

YOUNG GENTLEMEN, call and see the assortment of fine shoes at Barber & Baker's before you buy.
Nov. 26—d&wtf

BUY Bergman's Zephyrs of Linn & Scruggs, and you will get much better zephyrs and one third more in weight than anywhere else. [Dec. 4-d&wtf

DIARIES for 1880.—Large variety, embracing all grades from cheap to very fine, at J. M. Stookey & Co.'s.
Dec. 10—d&wtf

AGAIN, by way of a gentle reminder, permit us to say that we don't allow ourselves to be undersold by any house in this corner of the creation. Our present offerings are well worthy inspection.
LAMBERT & Co.,
11d&wtf New York Store.

EVERY one says, "What can we find as a suitable present for a gentleman?" Step into Curtis & Ewing's jewelry store and see. They have the most complete line of *just such goods* you could hope to find in a day's travel.
Dec. 11—d&wtf

If you want the best and cheapest hosiery and gloves, go to
may16-d&wtf] LINN & SCRUGGS'.

WE have the most extensive and elegant line of *Silverware* of all kinds we have ever had. Call and look it over.
Dec. 16—d5tw1 CURTIS & EWING.

DECATUR POST-OFFICE.

Arrival and Closing of Mails

MAILS ARRIVE.

St. Louis, Springfield, Chicago, Chicago & Tolono R. P. O., Jacksonville, Quincy, Tolono, Bement, Arcola, Tuscola, Effingham, Alton, Lafayette, Indianapolis, Toledo, South (I. C. R. R.), Eastern Express Mail, ... 5:20 a. m.
I. B. & W., ... 10:35 "
C. B. & Q. via Mendota, Chicago and Dubuque, D. M. & S., ... 10:30 "
St. Louis (Wabash R. R.), Western Wabash, I. D. & S., Midland from East, ... 12:50 m.
Midland from West, ... 2:30 p. m.
Eastern (Wabash, P. L. & D.), ... 4:00 "
North (I. C. R. R.), ... 6:30 "

MAILS CLOSE.

Eastern (Wabash, Midland West... 11:15 a. m.
I. D. & S., ... 12:15 p. m.
I. B. & W., ... 1:30 "
Midland East, D. M. & S., ... 1:15 "
Saint Louis, (Wabash R. R.) West, (Wabash R. R.), C. B. & Q. via Mendota, Chicago and Dubuque, ... 3:45 "
P. L. & D., ... 4:00 "
South (I. C. R. R.), ... 5:30 "
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TRUSTEE'S SALE.

WHEREAS, James M. Bell and Nancy L. Bell, of the county of Macon and State of Illinois, did, on the sixteenth day of April, A. D. 1878, by deed of trust convey to Clarence A. Ewing, trustee, of same residence, the following described real estate situate in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, to-wit: Twenty-five (25) feet off the south end of lot five (5), eight (8) feet off the north side of lot six (6), and thirty-three by fifty (33x50) feet of lot seven (7), described as follows, to-wit: commencing thirty-two (32) feet from the south west corner of lot seven (7), thence east fifty (50) feet, thence north thirty-three (33) feet, thence west fifty (50) feet, thence south thirty-three (33) feet to place of beginning, all in block three (3) of the South Addition to Decatur, Illinois, and the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section five (5), and the east half of the northwest quarter of section eight (8), in township fifteen (15) north, range four (4) east of the third principal meridian, in trust, to secure the payment of two promissory notes of said James M. Bell and Jesse Greenfield, of even date therewith—one principal note for two thousand five hundred and ninety dollars, payable seven months after date, at the banking house of J. Millikin & Co.; the other for a like amount in twelve months at the same place, both with interest at the rate of ten per cent. per annum from date, value received, and upon which notes there will be due December 29th, 1879, the sum of fifty-five hundred dollars and thirty-nine cents;

And whereas, it is provided in said deed of trust that if default be made in the payment of either interest or principal of said indebtedness secured by said deed of trust, then said trustee shall sell and dispose of said premises according to the provisions of said deed of trust;

And whereas, default has been made in payment of principal and interest of said indebtedness, and the legal holder of said notes has made application to the undersigned to proceed and sell said premises in compliance with the terms of said deed of trust;

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that the undersigned will, on

Monday, the 29th day of December, 1879,

at ten o'clock a. m. of said day, at the west outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, county of Macon, and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, the above described premises and all right, title, interest and equity of redemption of said James M. Bell and Nancy L. Bell, their heirs and their assigns therein. CHARLES A. EWING, Trustee.
Decatur, Ill., Nov. 26, 1879.
Nov. 28—dtd

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF

REAL ESTATE.

BY virtue of a decretal order of the county court of Macon county, Illinois, made at the November term, A. D. 1879, of said court, upon the petition of the undersigned, as administrator de bonis non of the estate of Joseph Kaufman, deceased, wherein Angeline Post et al. were defendants, and entered of record on the 19th day of November, 1879, I will sell at public vendue, to the highest and best bidder, on

Saturday, the 24th day of January, A. D. 1880,

between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and five o'clock p. m. of said day, at the west outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said Macon county, the following described real estate of said deceased, situate in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, to-wit: Lot five (5), block three (3), Kaufman's addition to the town (now city) of Decatur.

TERMS OF SALE—One-third cash, one-third in six months, and one-third in twelve months from day of sale; said deferred payments to be secured by promissory notes of the purchaser or purchasers, with approved personal security and a mortgage on the premises; deferred payments to draw eight per cent. interest per annum from date.
ISAAC S. KAUFMAN,
Adm'r de bonis non estate of Joseph Kaufman, deceased.
JOSIAH M. CLOKEY, Att'y for Estate.
Dec. 25—d4t

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the County Court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of James Freeman and against Joseph F. Priest and George R. Priest, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lot No. eleven (11), in block one (1), in Miller & Packard's addition to the city of Decatur. Taken as property of the said Joseph F. Priest, which I shall offer at public sale at the west entrance of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1879, at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.
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